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**Re:** Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation  
Patent Application in the United States  
Application No: 10/562,078  
"A Device and Method for Encoding a Datum..."  
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It will be appreciated if you will inform us as to the status of the above-identified U.S. patent application. This inquiry is being initiated on the basis of the fact that the subject application was filed on December 22, 2005, and an official action dealing substantively with this application has not been received. Therefore, please inform us as to when we may expect to receive an official action for the above-identified application.

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